

approximately three miles east of downtown Renton in King County, Washington.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Elizabeth Healy, Transportation and Environmental Engineer, Federal Highway Administration, 711 South Capital Way, Suite 501, Olympia, Washington, 98501-1284, Telephone: (360) 753-9480 or Tina Morehead, Senior Environmental Engineer, King County, Road Services Division, Department of Transportation, King Street Center M.S. KSC-0231, 201 South Jackson Street, Seattle, WA 98104-3856, Telephone: (206) 296-3733.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Record of Decision for the original EIS for the improvements (FHWA-WA-EIS-92-4-F) was signed on November 21, 1995. In the original EIS, the proposed improvements to the Elliott Bridge provided a three-lane bridge (two travel lanes and one center lane) with pedestrian sidewalk and associated approach road realignment. Improvements to the bridge were and still are considered necessary to provide for traffic circulation, roadway safety, and structural stability.

After approval and subsequent appeal of the local shoreline substantial development permit, King County withdrew its shoreline permit application based on issues related to the federal Endangered Species Act. Since that withdrawal, the county has reevaluated the original purpose and need for the project, reviewed and expanded the alternatives considered, and determined that a supplemental EIS needs to be prepared.

Alternatives under consideration include four action alternatives in addition to the no-action alternative. The four action alternatives include: Alternative 1S—replacing the existing bridge with a new bridge approximately 50 feet east of the existing bridge and constructing two offset tee-intersections to provide connections to Southeast Jones Place and Jones Road; Alternative 4S—replacing the existing bridge with a new bridge approximately 820 feet east of the existing bridge and constructing a new road alignment from the existing tee intersection of 152nd Avenue Southeast and SR 169 northeasterly to tie into the existing 154th Place Southeast approximately 1,100 feet north of the new bridge, and constructing a new intersection with Jones Road; Alternative 5S—similar to 4S but the new bridge would be located approximately 180 feet further east; and Alternative 7Sb replacing the existing bridge with a new bridge approximately 65 feet west of the existing bridge and

constructing a tee intersection to provide connection to Southeast Jones Place and a right turn lane from 154th Place Southeast to Jones Road.

No formal scoping period will be held. Letters describing the proposed action and soliciting comments will be sent to approximate Federal, State, and local agencies, and to private organizations and citizens who have previously expressed or are known to have interest in this proposal. Subsequent to distribution of the draft supplemental EIS, a public hearing will be held during the draft supplemental EIS comment period. The location and time of the public hearing will be announced in the local news media and through a public mailing when it is scheduled. The draft supplemental EIS will be available for public and agency review prior to the public hearing. Release of the draft supplemental EIS for public comment and the public hearing will also be announced in the local news media as these dates are established.

Comments or questions concerning this proposed action and the supplemental EIS should be directed to the FHWA or King County at the address provided above. (Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Research, Planning, and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding intergovernment consultation on Federal programs and activities apply to this program.)

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Elizabeth Healy,

Transportation and Environmental Engineer.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Environmental Impact Statement: Mercer and Middlesex Counties, NJ

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), USDOT.

ACTION: Notice of scoping forum.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Federal Highway Administration and the New Jersey Department of Transportation will be holding a Scoping Forum for the purpose of soliciting public comments on the scope of work to be performed for the Penns Neck Area Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

The Scoping Forum will include brief presentations to introduce the overall study and the project team; describe the

study's background and objectives; review the process that will be followed to evaluate all potential solutions; and introduce the technical studies, categories of possible actions, and range of impacts that the EIS will assess for all potential options. The remainder of the session will be a public comment period, wherein the public will be invited to offer statements of up to five minutes each, commenting on the study's scope of work and on the range of solutions to be considered in the EIS.

SCHEDULE FOR SCOPING FORUM

Date: Tuesday, December 4, 2001.

Time: Presentation, followed by continuous public comment period 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Repeat of presentation followed by continuation of public comment period, 7 p.m. to 11 p.m.

Place: West Windsor Township Municipal Building, 271 Clarksville Road, West Windsor, NJ.

If needed, a supplemental public comment period will be held on Thursday, December 6th at the West Windsor Municipal Complex, from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m., to accommodate additional speakers who could not be scheduled due to time limitations.

COMMENT DUE DATE: All comments made during the Scoping Forum public comment period will be recorded and become part of the official record of the proceedings. Written statements on the scope of work for the Penns Neck Area EIS may also be submitted, either at the Scoping Forum, or by forwarding them to Helen Neuhaus & Associates (see information below). All statements received by January 7, 2002, will be included in the official record.

AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION: Documents related to the project and Scoping Forum can be reviewed on the project website at www.pennsneckareaseis.org. They are also available at any of the following project repositories (please call for hours):

West Windsor Township Public Library, 333 N. Post Road, West Windsor, NJ (609) 799-0462

Princeton Township Clerk's Office, 369 Witherspoon Street, Princeton Township, NJ (609) 924-5176

Princeton Borough Clerk's Office, Borough Hall, 1 Monument Drive, Princeton, NJ (609) 497-7622

Plainsboro Public Library, 641 Plainsboro Road, Plainsboro, NJ (609) 275-2898

Rutgers University Transportation Policy Institute, 33 Livingston Avenue, New Brunswick, NJ (732) 932-6812

Ext. 593, New Jersey Department of Transportation, 1035 Parkway Avenue, Ewing, NJ (609) 530-2824

[Ask for Andy Fekete]

AGENCY SCOPING MEETING: A scoping meeting for public agencies will be held at a later date.

PRE-REGISTRATION FOR SCOPING FORUM AND FURTHER INFORMATION: For further information regarding the Penns Neck Area EIS, please contact Randell Prescott, Program Operations Director or Amy Fox, Environmental Coordinator, Federal Highway Administration, 840 Bear Tavern Road, Suite 310, West Trenton, NJ 08628. To pre-register and reserve a speaking time during the public comment period, please contact Helen Neuhaus by phone: (212) 532-4175; mail: 432 Park Avenue South, New York, NY 10016; email: hna1977@aol.com; or fax: (212) 532-7479.

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Randell Prescott,

Program Operations Director, FHWA—New Jersey Division, Trenton.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Environmental Impact Statement: Waukesha County, WI

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Supplemental notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that an environmental impact statement will be prepared for transportation improvements in the State Trunk Highway (STH) 83 corridor between County Trunk Highway (CTH) "NN" at the north limits of the Village of Mukwonago and STH 16, Waukesha County, Wisconsin. The north terminus was extended since the notice of intent was published in the **Federal Register** on March 26, 2001 (66 FR 16520).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Richard C. Madrzak, Field Operations Engineer, Federal Highway Administration, 567 D'Onofrio Drive, Madison, Wisconsin, 53719-2814; telephone: (608) 829-7510. You may also contact Ms. Carol Cutshall, Director, Bureau of Environment, Wisconsin Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 7965,

Madison, Wisconsin, 53707-7965; telephone: (608) 266-9626.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Access

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Background

The FHWA, in cooperation with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation, will prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on a proposal to provide safety, operational and capacity improvements on an approximate 27 kilometer (17 mile) section of STH 83 between CTH "NN" at the north limits of the Village of Mukwonago and STH 16, Waukesha County.

This notice is supplementary to the notice of intent, which was published in the **Federal Register** on March 26, 2001 at 66 FR 16520. The purpose of the supplemental notice of intent is to extend the project limits about 6 kilometers (4 miles) at the north terminus. The previous north terminus was Interstate Highway 94. The revised north terminus is STH 16.

To ensure that the full range of issues related to this proposed action are addressed, and all substantive issues are identified, comments and suggestions are invited from all interested parties. Comments or questions concerning this proposed action and the EIS should be directed to FHWA or the Wisconsin Department of Transportation at the addresses provided in the caption **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

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Richard C. Madrzak,

Field Operations Engineer, Federal Highway Administration, Madison, Wisconsin.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[Docket Nos. FMCSA-99-5748 and FMCSA-99-5578 (formerly FHWA-99-5748 and FHWA-99-5578)]

Qualification of Drivers; Exemption Applications; Vision

AGENCY: Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of renewal of exemption; request for comments.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the FMCSA's decision to renew the exemptions from the vision requirement in 49 CFR 391.41(b)(10) for 18 individuals.

DATES: This decision is effective November 30, 2001. Comments from interested persons should be submitted by January 4, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Mail or hand deliver comments to the U.S. Department of Transportation, Dockets Management Facility, Room PL-401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590, or submit electronically at <http://dmses.dot.gov/submit>. All comments received will be available for examination and copying at the above address from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. Those desiring notification of receipt of comments must include a self-addressed, stamped postcard or you may print the acknowledgment page that appears after submitting comments electronically.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information about the vision exemptions in this notice, Ms. Sandra Zywockarte, Office of Bus and Truck Standards and Operations, (202) 366-2987; for information about legal issues related to this notice, Mr. Joseph Solomey, Office of the Chief Counsel, (202) 366-1374, FMCSA, Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Office hours are from 7:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Access and Filing

You may see all comments online through the Document Management System (DMS) at: <http://dmses.dot.gov/submit>.

Background

Eighteen individuals have requested renewal of their exemptions from the vision requirement in 49 CFR